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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Responsive to the action mailed February 25, 2003 (the "Action"), Applicants elect the invention of Group 1, claims 1-11. The election is made with traverse. In response to the species election requirement, Applicants elect for subgroup 1, organic molecules of molecular weight of 1000 Daltons or less; and for subgroup 2, 2-hydroxypropyl- β -cyclodextrin.

Applicants disagree with the assertion made in the Action that EP 0609766 ("Nishiki") discloses cyclodextrin use in a compound library setting. Nishiki, in fact, discloses cyclodextrin use with a single compound, a myeloperoxidase, not a library of compounds. As such, Applicants disagree with the assertion that the groups lack unity because this technical feature (i.e., cyclodextrin storage of library members) is disclosed by Nishiki. Please apply any charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050, referencing attorney docket number 06275-288001.

Respectfully submitted,

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